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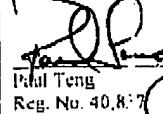
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This Communication is submitted in response to the August 29, 2008 Restriction Requirement issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The August 29, 2008 Restriction Requirement indicates that examination of the application will be restricted by the Patent Office under 35 U.S.C. §121 to one of the following allegedly distinct group of claims:

1. Claims 1-22, drawn to an image forming apparatus and driver for controlling the

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amount of liquid/toner adhere to the media to reduce hue/color different in
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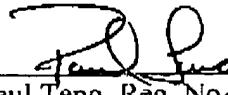
II. Claims 23-39, drawn to an image forming apparatus and control unit for controlling
amount of liquid/toner adhere to the media by electrostatic to prevent leakage
of electric charge, classified in class 347, subclass 112, 159.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute group I. Pending claims readable on
group I include claims 1-22.

If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper
should be considered to be such a petition. The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees
that are required in connection with this response and to credit any overpayment to our Deposit
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If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is
respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

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